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Dear Assistant Secretary John Berry c/o Document Management
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Stephanie Hanna (DOI) 202/208-6416

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I am very interested in the upcoming meetings, and given that
Molokai is
about 40% native Hawaiian residents, it is important to keep us
informed
about all this and encourage our participation. Please email
all
information to us on Molokai via email plain text in the body
of this email
for publication in Molokai Advertiser-News.

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your
information.

Mahalos and Aloha,
George Peabody c/o The MAN

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MEETINGS WITH NATIVE HAWAIIANS AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS
ON
RECONCILIATION PROCESS TO TAKE PLACE IN DECEMBER

John Berry, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Management, and
Budget, for the
Department of the Interior and Mark Van Norman, Director,
Office of Tribal
Justice, Department of Justice, will be in
Hawaii for public consultations to implement reconciliation
efforts as
called for in P.L. 103-150, the Apology Resolution. Berry and
Van Norman
plan to be in Hawaii from December 4, 1999 -
December 13, 1999.

Following an opening ceremony on Saturday, December 4, 1999,

Berry and Van Norman will be traveling to neighbor islands for community outreach visits to meet with Native Hawaiian communities and to observe programs established to benefit Native Hawaiians. Brown bag lunches open to the public will be scheduled on the neighbor islands. Time and locations have not yet been confirmed. More information about the neighbor island community outreach will be released shortly.

Discussions regarding the reconciliation process will be held at the East - West Center at the University of Hawaii on Oahu on Friday, December 10, 1999, and Saturday, December 11, 1999, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 6:00 p.m. The discussions will be open to the public.

To provide an opportunity for Mr. Berry and Mr. Van Norman to engage in discussions about specific areas of concern to Native Hawaiians, the first day of the discussions will be focused on the following issue areas: Native Hawaiian Health and Education, Native Hawaiian Housing, Native Hawaiian Culture and Economic Development and Hawaiian Land and Natural Resources. For each issue area, there will be 45 minutes of discussion among Panelists, Mr. Berry, and Mr. Van Norman, followed by an hour of public comment to provide an opportunity for anyone who wishes to address a point not discussed during the panel dialogue or to provide input regarding issues discussed during the dialogue. To allow as many people to comment as possible, each person or organization will be limited to three minutes.

Reconciliation will be the focus of the second day's discussion. Mr. Berry and Mr. Van Norman will engage in a dialogue to define the reconciliation process, to discuss the federal government's political relationship with Native Hawaiians and to discuss how longstanding political issues such as self-determination and ceded lands should be addressed within the framework of federal law. The discussion will include as many Native Hawaiian community leaders and spokespersons as can be reasonably accommodated at a large roundtable. A period of public comment will also be included to ensure an opportunity for as many individuals as possible to participate in the discussions. Again, to allow for maximum participation,

each
participant will be limited to three minutes for comments.

To promote productive discussions on all issues, all parties wishing to participate in the public forum are encouraged to submit testimony in writing no later than Monday,

November 22, 1999. Participants for the panel dialogue and roundtable discussions will be notified no later than November 29, 1999. All written testimony received by January 7, 2000, will be included in the record. All interested parties are encouraged to provide input through written testimony and public comment.

Anyone wishing to participate should fill out the enclosed form and submit written testimony to:

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Thank you,

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Also, please keep me informed of the meeting date and place for
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ATT: Assistant Secretary M. John Berry,
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and Stephanie Hanna (DOI) 202/208-6416
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Dear Mr. John Berry et al:

Apparently only certain native Hawaiians are being invited by DOI/DOJ to the meetings about so called "Reconciliation". It sounds desirable, but what is clearly intended (handing out hereditary political status or more money or land or privileges on the basis of race or ancestry) is nothing but racist tyranny.

I have opposed the racist agenda of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs since its inception in 1978, and subsequent programs like the Hawaiian Fishpond Revitalization Program funded federally through Sen. Dan Inouye that is causing environmental damages and loss of public lands to special native Hawaiian interests. Unfortunately the battle for racial equality continues in Hawaii against the formidable powers of political institutions. If OHA with its separatist agenda and voting rights and giveaway of resources based on ancestry, is allowed to continue, it will eventually destroy Hawaii as a place of relative peace: gone will be all personal freedoms and equality under law; gone will be all sense of personal safety engendered by friendly inter-racial relations; gone will be the spirit of Aloha, and the democratic principle of equal justice; and certainly the State's economic future will suffer even more that it has under Administrations of governors Waihee and Cayetano.

I believe that OHA, the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, the sovereignty movement and all federal and state programs that give special exclusive privileges or entitlements to native Hawaiians, or to any other ethnic, racial or ancestral group, should be considered no less egregious than apartheid, white supremacy, ethnic cleansing and other discredited concepts based on racial discrimination.

None of the reasons offered by Trask or OHA trustees or sovereignty leaders or individuals who to support giving, under the banner of "reconciliation", hereditary political status or more money, land or other

entitlements to
Hawaiians, has any constitutional, historical or moral
validity, and for
our elected officials to do so would be tyranny. Don't do it.

Aloha,
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Dear Mr. Timothy Elliott and John Leshy: Thank you for sending
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copy of the statement of withdrawl by Leshy of the Sansonetti
Opinion and
other communications. That did indeed answer my questions as
to why I
ould not get a copy of the new Leshy Opinion....there isn't
e!
Thank you again for your assistance.

George Peabody

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